

Fiscal Highlights

Federal Compensation and Benefits for Utah Veterans - Steven M. Allred

One of the missions of the Utah Department of Veterans' and Military Affairs is to connect veterans with services made available by federal, state, and other stakeholder organizations. In recent years, the department has emphasized outreach efforts to veterans to make them aware of their benefits.

Reports from the United States Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA) show that federal spending per Utah veteran has been steadily increasing. In federal fiscal year 2010, Utah had an estimated 153,623 veterans who received a total of \$262,497,000 in compensation and benefits, or \$1,709 per veteran. By federal fiscal year 2013, Utah had slightly fewer veterans at 150,771, who received \$350,923,000 in compensation and benefits, or \$2,328 per veteran--an increase of 36% over the four-year period.

The following table shows federal fiscal year 2013 information for Utah veterans by county. When all expenditures are counted, including compensation and benefits, medical care, education, vocational rehabilitation, and others, total spending by the VA in Utah was \$887,516,000.

FY13 Summary of Federal Department of Veterans' Affairs Expenditures in Utah							
Dollars in \$000s							
County	Veteran Population	Compensation & Pension	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment	Insurance & Indemnities	Medical Care	Other	Total Expenditure
BEAVER	477	\$ 709	\$ 118	\$ 2	\$ 740	\$ -	1,568
BOX ELDER	2,724	\$ 5,353	\$ 852	\$ 235	\$ 5,897	\$ -	12,337
CACHE	4,606	\$ 8,879	\$ 3,322	\$ 489	\$ 4,939	\$ -	17,628
CARBON	1,744	\$ 4,625	\$ 265	\$ 158	\$ 4,821	\$ -	9,869
DAGGETT	120	\$ 222	\$ 9	\$ 2	\$ 465	\$ -	698
DAVIS	20,978	\$ 58,039	\$ 16,618	\$ 1,435	\$ 37,617	\$ -	113,709
DUCHESNE	971	\$ 2,636	\$ 165	\$ 56	\$ 3,417	\$ -	6,275
EMERY	738	\$ 1,042	\$ 52	\$ 39	\$ 1,543	\$ -	2,676
GARFIELD	448	\$ 781	\$ 24	\$ 30	\$ 627	\$ -	1,462
GRAND	692	\$ 1,616	\$ 3	\$ 19	\$ 2,806	\$ -	4,444
IRON	2,720	\$ 6,204	\$ 1,864	\$ 165	\$ 5,856	\$ -	14,089
JUAB	640	\$ 1,562	\$ 99	\$ 19	\$ 2,110	\$ -	3,790
KANE	671	\$ 1,804	\$ 65	\$ 100	\$ 1,237	\$ -	3,206
MILLARD	828	\$ 1,421	\$ 105	\$ 40	\$ 1,756	\$ -	3,322
MORGAN	612	\$ 1,779	\$ 233	\$ 22	\$ 851	\$ -	2,885
PIUTE	138	\$ 355	\$ 8	\$ 1	\$ 254	\$ -	618
RICH	122	\$ 307	\$ 16	\$ 14	\$ 264	\$ -	601
SALT LAKE	50,134	\$ 116,685	\$ 33,010	\$ 3,864	\$ 197,247	\$ 59,308	410,113
SAN JUAN	603	\$ 1,194	\$ 73	\$ 14	\$ 1,548	\$ -	2,829
SANPETE	1,695	\$ 3,549	\$ 398	\$ 60	\$ 4,455	\$ -	8,463
SEVIER	1,491	\$ 3,509	\$ 331	\$ 44	\$ 2,709	\$ -	6,593
SUMMIT	1,962	\$ 3,043	\$ 487	\$ 254	\$ 3,417	\$ -	7,200
TOOELE	4,660	\$ 10,794	\$ 1,711	\$ 150	\$ 11,932	\$ -	24,585
UINTAH	2,074	\$ 2,971	\$ 172	\$ 17	\$ 3,995	\$ -	7,155
UTAH	18,951	\$ 35,826	\$ 11,495	\$ 1,242	\$ 28,593	\$ -	77,156
WASATCH	1,025	\$ 1,716	\$ 266	\$ 88	\$ 1,989	\$ -	4,059
WASHINGTON	11,037	\$ 26,494	\$ 3,650	\$ 564	\$ 17,605	\$ -	48,313
WAYNE	221	\$ 349	\$ 10	\$ 7	\$ 213	\$ -	579
WEBER	17,691	\$ 47,462	\$ 10,552	\$ 906	\$ 32,374	\$ -	91,295
UTAH (Totals)	150,771	\$ 350,923	\$ 85,974	\$ 10,033	\$ 381,279	\$ 59,308	887,516